

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims

Claim 1. (Currently Amended): A maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage having a decreased odor of maca comprising:

an extract of maca; and

a distilled liquor mainly made from fermented muscat grapes,

wherein the distilled liquor contains 1 to 400 ppm of acetic acid with respect to the amount of pure alcohol contained therein, and wherein the distilled liquor and the acetic acid, in combination, decrease an odor of maca.

Claim 2. (Original): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 1, wherein 1 part by weight of the extract of maca in terms of solid matter is contained in 0.5 to 1,000 parts by weight of the distilled liquor.

Claim 3. (Previously Presented): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 1, further comprising fruit juice.

Claim 4. (Original): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 3, wherein the fruit juice is one selected from the group consisting of lemon juice, grapefruit juice, and lime juice.

Claim 5. (Previously Presented): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 1, further comprising an extract of herb.

Claim 6. (Original): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 5, wherein the extract of herb is spirits containing an extract of rose hip.

Claim 7. (Previously Presented): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 1, wherein the extract of maca is obtained by adding an ethanol-containing aqueous solution to pulverized maca to carry out extraction at 20 to 75°C.

Claim 8. (Previously Presented): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 1, which is a carbonated beverage.

Claim 9. (Currently Amended): A method for decreasing an odor of ~~extract of maca contained in a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage~~, the method comprising using a distilled liquor mainly made from fermented muscat grapes as a base alcohol ~~to which, and adding an extract of maca is to be added~~, wherein the distilled liquor contains 1 to 400 ppm of acetic acid with respect to the amount of pure alcohol contained therein, and wherein the distilled liquor and the acetic acid, in combination, decrease an odor of maca.

Claim 10. (Previously Presented): The method for decreasing an odor of extract of maca contained in a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 9, wherein the alcoholic beverage comprises fruit juice.

Claim 11. (Original): The method for decreasing an odor of extract of maca contained in a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 10, wherein the fruit juice is one selected from the group consisting of lemon juice, grapefruit juice, and lime juice.

Claim 12. (Previously Presented): The method for decreasing an odor of extract of maca contained in a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 11, wherein the alcoholic beverage comprises an extract of herb.

Claim 13. (Original): The method for decreasing an odor of extract of maca contained in a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 12, wherein the extract of herb is spirits containing an extract of rose hip.

Claim 14. (Previously Presented): The method for decreasing an odor of extract of maca contained in a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 9, wherein the alcoholic beverage is a carbonated beverage.

Claim 15. (Currently Amended): A method for manufacturing a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage having a decreased odor of maca, the method comprising: preparing a distilled liquor mainly made from fermented muscat grapes and containing 1 to 400 ppm of acetic acid with respect to the amount of pure alcohol contained therein; and allowing adding to the distilled liquor ~~to contain an extract of maca~~, wherein the distilled liquor and the acetic acid, in combination, decrease an odor of maca.